GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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Construction of Railway Line in Sri Lanka
Senguttuvan Shri Balasubramaniam

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has bagged any contract for construction of new railway lines and maintenance of old railway lines in the Northern Sri Lanka and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Railways has offered a soft loan of $ 1 billion to the Government of Sri Lanka for construction of new railway lines in Northern Sri Lanka and if so, the details thereof; and
(c) whether the work has started on the contract and if so, the time-frame within which it is likely to be concluded?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)
(a) IRCON International Limited, a Central Public Sector Enterprise under Ministry of Railways, was awarded the work of up- gradation and rehabilitation of section Medawachchiya − Talaimannar, and Omanthai − Pallai − Kankesanthurai in Northern Sri Lanka. This has been completed by March, 2015.
(b) No, Madam. Ministry of Railways has not offered loan of $ 1 billion to the Government of Sri Lanka for construction of new railway lines in Northern Sri Lanka.
(c) All the works awarded to IRCON International Limited have been completed.
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